

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 8-9 are currently pending in the application. Claim 9 has been amended.

On page 2 of the Office Action, claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that Applicants regard as the invention.

Applicants have amended the claim to address the issue.

On page 2 of the Office Action, claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,020,886 (Jacober).

According to claim 9, for example, a learning button is provided on each transaction screen. By pressing a learning button on a transaction screen currently displayed to make a request for learning, a learning screen appears, which allows a user to easily and immediately learn about information relating to the transaction screen.

Although Jacober provides a "Show Demo" button, as illustrated in FIG. 8, the screen of FIG. 8 is not a screen on which a user performs transactions but a screen generated in response to a request for learning how to "create a cell comment." The "Show Demo" button of FIG. 8 is a button to start demonstration for how to create a cell comment and is not a button to make a request for learning about "creating a cell comment" *per se*.

Jacober discloses a technique in which a "Show Demo" button is utilized, and the technique is employed after a request for learning is made. In contrast, according to the present invention, a learning button is displayed on a transaction screen for making a request for learning about the transaction screen. One of the advantages of the present invention is that a user can easily and immediately display a learning screen displaying subject matter about which the user wishes to gain knowledge, without searching for the desired information.

For example, when a user desires to learn about a particular matter while creating a cell comment on a screen, the user depresses a learning button on the screen, thereby immediately moving the screen to the "creating a cell comment" screen (FIG. 8). In contrast, Jacober does not disclose how to display a learning screen corresponding to the "creating a cell comment" of FIG. 8. In other words, Jacober fails to disclose displaying a learning button on a transaction screen and displaying a learning screen corresponding to the transaction screen by depressing the learning button.

Therefore, claim 9 is patentable over the reference.

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Claims 1-4 and 8-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pre-Grant Publication 2003/0187723 (Hadden) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,020,886 (Jacober).

As Hadden does not add any relevant information to Jacober, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-4 and 8-9 are patentable over the combination of references for at least the reasons presented above for claim 9.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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